. . . behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem . . .
"We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."
Matthew - 2:1-2

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THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY
ST. BRIGID † OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

PARISH OFFICES ARE LOCATED AT:

St. Brigid Parish
59 Main Street, Millbury, MA 01527
Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
(508) 865-6624 • **Fax:** (508) 865-3101

Assumption Parish Phone: (508) 865-2657

St. Vincent de Paul: (774) 262-5506

www.assumptionmillbury.org
www.stbrigidparish.org

Check our websites for individual email addresses.

MASS TIMES

Assumption Church
12 Waters Street

Mon. & Thurs.: 9:00 AM
Tues. & Wed.: 7:00 AM
Sun.: 9:00 AM

St. Brigid Church
59 Main Street

Sat.: 4:00 PM
Sun.: 7:00 AM & 11:00 AM

PASTORAL & ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Fr. Dan Mulcahy, *Pastor*

Deacon Ron Buron, K.H.S., *Permanent Deacon*
Facilities Manager
Safe Env. Coordinator

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.,
Pastoral Care Ministry

Claudette Belair, *Music Director*

Greg Bernard, *Faith Formation (Gr. K-12)*
Family Ministry

Donna Gazaille, *Administrative Assistant*

Ronald Marlborough, *Maintenance Director*

Carol Trainque, *RCIA Director*
Liturgical Coordinator

Melissa Turner, *Associate Administrative Assistant*
Cantor

Members of the staff may be contacted by calling the Parish Offices at (508) 865-6624. The offices are open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM. If the offices are closed, feel free to leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as we are able.

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturdays 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM
or anytime upon request.

Baptism

Baptism Gatherings, to prepare families for the sacrament of Baptism, are held 4 times a year. Baptisms are held each month.
For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish offices at (508) 865-6624.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the rectory when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought to shut-ins upon request.

Assumption School
Millbury, MA
A legacy of learning...a history with heart

John S. Hoogasian, Ph.D., Principal
Assumption School
17 Grove St.
Millbury, MA 01527
(508) 865-5404 (voice)
(508) 581-8974 (fax)
john.hoogasian@assumption-cs.org
www.assumption-cs.org

Sat., January 6

4:00 PM **Craig Magnuson** (5th Anniversary)
By: His Wife, Lise

Sun., January 7

7:00 AM **Christine Estabrook**
By: The Angels of Mercy

9:00 AM **Edward, Anna and John Volungis, Jr.**
By: The Family

11:00 AM **Joseph Lacouture** (20th Anniversary)
By: The Family

Mon., January 8

9:00 AM **Lucille B. & Mildred V. Kunzinger**
By: The Kunzinger Estate

Tues., January 9

7:00 AM **Jean Allain**
By: Elaine Duby

Wed., January 10

7:00 AM **Rev. Eusiquio "Zeke" Muñoz Arranz**
By: Fr. Dan

Thurs., January 11

9:00 AM **The People of the Catholic Parishes of Millbury**

Walter and Mary Pollinger
By: Their Daughter

Sat., January 13

4:00 PM **Elaine Roy** (7th Anniversary)
By: Her Husband, Chet

Sun., January 14

7:00 AM **The People of the Catholic Parishes of Millbury**

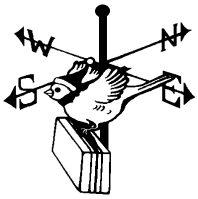
9:00 AM **Aurele Bourdeau** (22nd Anniversary)
By: The Family

11:00 AM **Francis Frederico**
By: Bob and Julie Guertin and Family

(Our apologies for any errors or misspelled names.)

Snow Policy…
No School/No Mass

For the safety of our parishioners, when school is **canceled or delayed** in the town of Millbury, daily Mass is also canceled.



Saturday, January 13, 4:00 PM at St. Brigid

L: K. Levitre *AS: T. Yaz & J. Prue*
EM: T. & F. Jakubiak, H. Quan, F. Kroll

Sunday, January 14, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid

L: M. Blunt *AS: J. Mazeika*
EM: W. Blunt, J. Dunn

Sunday, January 14, 9:00 AM at Assumption

L: J. Hoban *AS: A. Seaman, M. Hoban*
EM: R. Plamondon, P. Correia, R. Bazin, M. Sprino

Sunday, January 14, 11:00 AM at St. Brigid

L: R. & Z. Curnen *AS: D. & T. Hanson*
EM: M. Piscitelli, M. Horner

Celebration of Ministries
Appreciation Dinner
February 10, 2018
5:00 PM
St. Brigid Hall

Millbury Community Blood Drive

St. Brigid Church Parish Hall
59 Main Street
Millbury, MA 01527

Friday, January 12, 2018
1:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: 185 to schedule an appointment.

SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK:

Our Lady of the Assumption Candle

The People of the Catholic Parishes of Millbury

St Brigid Candles

In loving memory of
Matthew Hartline
In remembrance of his birthday
Requested by Mom and Dad

In loving memory of
Christina Erickson
On the 6th Anniversary of her birth to new life
Requested by her family

Remember in Prayer this Week:

Those who serve in our Military:

Nicole Leonard Brandon Marc-Aurele
Brandon Perkins Marc Winchester

Reminder: Forms are available at each parish to add names to the Prayer List or call the rectory at 508-865-6624 with your request. Names will be removed on a monthly basis.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER
Prayer Line 508-865-5373

If you, or someone you know, is in need of prayer, call the confidential prayer line listed above.

REMEMBRANCE SECTION
Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a $50 donation for the year. Please contact Donna at (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one.

In Remembrance:

John & Julia Anger
Lee Aubin
Maryann Auger
Jeanne Augustine
Larry F. Army
Francis R. Beaudoin
Arthur G. Boucher
Sylvio E. Bourdeau
Frank Cammuso, Jr.
Philip Chabot, Sr.
Donna "Gain" Cournoyer
Roland O. Couture
Gerald & Peggy Croteau
George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.
George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.
Raymond DeRouin
Armand Desorcy
Joseph Dunn
Timothy P. Eckland
Lois M. Fisher
Joe & Jean Gagliardi
William Gain, Jr.
Bernice Gaudere
Ruth Gonsorcik
Daniel Guadagnoli
Derek Hamilton
Matthew Hartline
Paul J. Jandron
Joanne Juskavitch
Claire Kobel
Richard Kroll
Lillian Langevin
Tan Le
Edward L. Lemoine
Kevin Lemoine
Rita Lemoine
June Ann Leonard
Lorraine Letendre
Mark Lizotte
William and Irene Louis
Leo & Jane Metivier
Kenneth Michalak
Mary B. Mrozinski
Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.
Joseph Noonan
Albert Nikosey
John P. & Bridget O'Malley
Janet Parsekian
Stephen Rodwill
Elaine Roy
Darlene Russell
Dorothy Russell
Marshall Russell
Michael W. Russell
William Russell
Albert & June Russo
Bob & Rita Shea
C. Richard Stockhaus
Frederick Stockwell
Sandra Lee Stockwell
Margaret E. Stockwell
James Tabor
Neal R. Thomas
Robert E. Vaillancourt
Lucille Vecchione
William T. Walsh
Margaret Wendt
Ronald Woodward
Frank J. Yaz

SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 7TH
SVDP Food Drive

Children's Liturgy of the Word @ OLAC/OLAH - 9:00 AM
Altar Server Training @ OLAC - 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM
Baptismal Preparation @ SBC - 10:00 AM
Gr. 3 & 4 Faith Formation @ OLAH - 10:00 - 11:30 AM
Gr. 9 & 10 Faith Formation @ OLAH - 6:00 - 7:30 PM
SLAA @ SBH-7:30

MONDAY ~ JANUARY 8TH

OLAS Choir Rehearsal @ OLAC - 3:00 - 3:45 PM
Adoration/Novena For Healing @ SBC - 6:00 PM
Fellowship Committee Meeting @ CPO - 6:30 PM
Associates of the Assumption @ OLAH - 7:00 PM
AA @ SBH - 7:00 PM
GA @ OLAH - 8:00 PM

TUESDAY ~ JANUARY 9TH

CaFÉ @ SBH - 11:00 - 12:15 PM
Umbrella Meeting @ CPO - 11:30 AM
Holy Hour/Confessions @ OLAC - 5:20 - 6:20 PM
Rosary For Peace @ OLAC - 6:30 PM
RCIA @ OLAH - 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Overeaters Anonymous @ SBH - 6:30 - 8:00 PM

WEDNESDAY ~ JANUARY 10TH

Irish Step Dancing @ OLAH - 5:00 - 6:00 PM
Rosary Makers @ SBH - 7:00 PM

THURSDAY ~ JANUARY 11TH

Scouts @ SBH - 6:00 PM
PTG Meeting @ OLAH - 6:30 PM

FRIDAY~ JANUARY 12TH

Red Cross Blood Drive @ SBH - 1:00 - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY ~ JANUARY 13TH

Hall Rental @ OLAH - 9:30 PM - 3:30 PM

SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 14TH

Children's Liturgy of the Word @ OLAC/OLAH - 9:00 AM
Rite of Acceptance for RCIA @ OLAC - 9:00 AM
Altar Server Training @ OLAC - 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM
SLAA @ SBH-7:30 PM

KEY TO LOCATIONS

SBC=St. Brigid Church
SBH=St. Brigid Hall
CPO=Catholic Parish Offices
OLAC=Assumption Church
OLAH=Assumption Hall
OLAS=Assumption School

Diocese of Worcester
Office of the Bishop
49 Elm Street
Worcester, MA 01609

December 28, 2017

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Catholic University of America, founded in 1887 by the U.S. Catholic bishops with the support of Pope Leo XIII, is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States. Catholic University serves the Church by engaging its students to discover knowledge and truth through excellence in teaching and research. The University continues to expand its academic and research offerings, with faculty who bring world-class research and teaching talents to the classrooms and laboratories for almost 7,000 students.

Catholic University trains the leaders of the Church. It is the only American university with ecclesiastical faculties granting canonical degrees in three disciplines (canon law, philosophy, and theology). Through its national seminary, the university provides graduate degrees for seminarians sponsored by numerous Catholic dioceses in the U.S. More than one-third of all the active and emeritus bishops and archbishops in the country are Catholic University alumni, including five of the six sitting cardinal archbishops. The University's business and theology schools offer a unique "Management as Ministry" program to provide seminarians and newly ordained priests with a foundational understanding of business best practices, including the essentials of finance, management and accounting centered on virtue and ministry.

All of your contributions directly benefit students at CUA from all over the country by funding scholarships for those who would not otherwise be able to attend. Through the parish scholarship program, nearly 500 Catholic parishes have had the opportunity to nominate 1,500 academically qualified annual students for scholarships which were valued at $4.5 million last year.

I encourage you to be generous in the special collection for The Catholic University of America, to be taken at the Lord's Day Masses in all the parishes throughout the Diocese of Worcester next weekend, **January 6 and 7**. Here at the Catholic Parishes of Millbury, this collection, our specialty collection, is taken on the third Sunday of the month, January 20 and 21.

With prayerful best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Robert J. McManus

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

STEWARDSHIP

St. Brigid Parish
Income
Weekend of December 23/24, 2017 and Christmas

Regular Weekly Collection	$4,220.50
Electronic Giving (12/18 - 12/24, 2017)	$266.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	**$4,486.50**
Other Parish Income:	
Mass Stipends	$10.00
Utilities *(includes online when applicable)*	$112.00
Debt	$294.00
Debt *(Electronic Giving)*	$20.00
Specialty Ministries	$81.00
Initial Offering	$13.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	$5.00
Nov. Reimbursement *(From Assumption)*	$4,806.02
Solemnity of Mary	$5.00
Christmas Flowers	$25.00
Immaculate Conception	$5.00
Christmas	$5,123.00
Christmas 2nd Collection	$1,105.00
Total Other Income	**$11,604.02**
Total Income	**$16,090.52**

Due to the holidays and vacations, our expenses will be reported in next weekend's bulletin.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

If you requested a Financial Statement for tax purposes last year, we will be sending you one in the mail in the next couple of weeks. There is no need to call again. If you did not request one last year and would like to receive one this year, please call Donna in the office during regular business hours (Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM) or send her an email at secretary @ stbrigidparish.org.

YOUR SMILE FOR TODAY

A woman told her friend: "At Christmas, I was visited by a jolly, bearded fellow with a big bag over his shoulder."
"You mean Santa Claus came to see you in person?"
"No," she replied. "My son came home from college with his dirty laundry."

– via Rev. Bill Park Bethany, OK
from his book *Go Ahead and Laugh!*

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

January 6/7 … DEBT

January 13/14 … DEBT

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish
Income
Weekend of December 23/24, 2017 and Christmas

Regular Weekly Collection	$1,978.00
Electronic Giving (12/18 - 12/24, 2017)	$110.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	**$2,088.00**
Other Parish Income:	
Mass Stipends	$85.00
Sanctuary Candles	$20.00
Utilities *(includes online when applicable)*	$101.00
Debt	$818.00
Debt *(Electronic Giving)*	$50.00
Specialty Ministries	$35.00
Funeral	$300.00
In Remembrance *(Bulletin)*	$100.00
Christmas Flowers	$250.00
All Saints	$50.00
Immaculate Conception	$50.00
Donation	$200.00
Christmas	$1,659.00
Christmas 2nd Collection	$877.00
Total Other Income	**$4,595.00**
Total Income	**$6,683.00**

IMPORTANT WINTER NOTICE

During the winter months, the hall door to St. Brigid will be unlocked for your convenience and safety. We would suggest that people not use the side entrance facing the Parish Offices as snow and ice fall off the roof making it slippery and very dangerous.

Please join us to un-deck the halls of Assumption Church on January 7th after the 9 AM Mass and St. Brigid Church after the 11 AM Mass. Everything must get tucked away for next year, many hands are needed, no experience necessary.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Diocese of Worcester
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Phone: 774-262-5506

MONTHLY MEETINGS

3rd Sunday - 10:00 AM
The Offices of the
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
New Members Welcome!

PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend
Food Bins are located in the Main Entrance of the Church

All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions. NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend - 12:15 PM
St. Brigid Church Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST

THE PANTRY IS IN NEED OF:
Coffee … Tea … Tissues …
Personal Care Items
(Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant, Etc.)

Please No Perishable, Expired Dates, or Pet Food.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT SHOP

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
507 Park Ave., Worcester (508) 752-4232

RCIA
Right of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for people seeking answers about our Catholic faith and who wish to celebrate the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and/or Confirmation. If you are interested in learning more about this program, call the rectory at 508-865-6624 and ask for Carol.

SKI WACHUSETT MOUNTAIN

Catholic Charities is partnering with Wachusett Mountain for the 2018 skiing season. Each time a lift ticket is purchased on-line, **with their special code**, Wachusett Mountain will donate $10 to Catholic Charities.

How does this work?

Anyone using the code, **DON-CC**, while purchasing lift tickets online (www.wachusett.com) will be tagged as a "usage." Each use will result in $10 being given to Catholic Charities.

Go online and purchase your tickets and/or Beginner Package for any day during the season (November through the beginning of April).

On the payment screen enter the code **DON-CC in** the Coupon box. Make sure that you update the cart so that the offer goes through.

HEALTHY BABIES, BRIGHTER FUTURES
Changing Young Lives: One Diaper at a Time!

Nearly 1 in 3 American families cannot afford diapers, which leads to babies staying in **one** diaper all day and developing serious health issues. In conjunction with Catholic Charities, help us build a healthy foundation for our most vulnerable.

This weekend, on the Feast of the Epiphany, please take an envelope for your donation to help Catholic Charities purchase diapers. In a partnership with Jet, Catholic Charities can purchase disposable diapers at a significant discount.

Donation Equivalents:

$100 buys 800 diapers
$ 75 buys 600 diapers
$ 50 buys 400 diapers
$ 35 buys 275 diapers

Envelopes should be returned to the Church on the weekends of January 13/14 and January 20/21. All checks should be made out to either St. Brigid or Assumption.

YOUTH & FAMILY FORMATION

The Youth Ministry ZONE

FOLLOW US ON:
www.facebook.com/sbcyc
or
@ MillburyCYC

It's Time to Register for CSAW 2018!

July 30 - Aug 3
Assumption College

Open to Youth Currently in Grades 8-12

$100 Deposit Due April 1st

To register or for more information please contact Greg Bernard at greg.bernard@stbrigidparish.org

Welcome all families and children to a new year of Family Faith Formation!
All sessions begin in Assumption Church Hall promptly at the designated time.

UPCOMING FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Grade 2	Sunday, January 14 10:00-11:30AM
Grades 3 & 4	Sunday, January 7 10:00 - 11:30AM
Grades 5 & 6	Monday, January 22 6:00 - 7:30PM
Grades 7 & 8	Sunday, January 21 6:00-7:30PM
Grades 9 & 10	Sunday, January 7 6:00 - 7:30PM

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

January 7, 14, 21 & 28

10:00-10:45 A.M. in Assumption Church.

This ministry is open to all students in grades 3 and above. If your child is interested in serving in this ministry please see Fr. Dan, Deacon Ron or Greg Bernard for more details.

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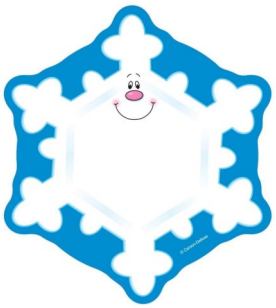
Assumption School
Pre-K Christmas Pageant

During the 9 o'clock Mass on Monday, December 18th, the Pre-K class of Assumption School put on their Christmas Pageant. Along with teachers and students from Kindergarten through Grade 8, parents, grandparents, and family members were invited.
The Pageant was enjoyed by all.



CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Check out the Catholic Parishes of Millbury website: millburymusic.weebly.com
If you enjoyed the music at the Christmas services, or if you were elsewhere and would like to hear the music, listen to selections listed under performances Christmas 2017.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call Judith Audette
Office for Healing and Prevention,
(508) 929-4363.
A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

PARISH AND LOCAL AREA NEWS

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER TRIPS

RESORTS ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

March 11-13, 3 Days, 2 Nights
Trip includes Overnight Accommodation at Resorts,
Transportation Along with 2 Dinner Vouchers a Show Ticket
Plus $25 Free Slot Play!!
For more information call or come by the
Senior Center for a Flyer! 508-865-9154

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

CRIBBAGE CLUB -
Join us every Monday at 1:00 PM for our new Cribbage Club! Have Lunch ahead of time at 12 noon to make it a fun filled day! *Noon lunch every Monday through Friday.*
Suggested donation $2.50.
Remember every Friday is special treat day.
A 48 hour reservation is required.

CRAFT CLASSES
Wednesday's from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM
Plan what you would like to make &
pay for the materials you use!
For more information call us at 508-865-9154.

PASTEL DREAMERS
ADULT COLORING CLASSES
Every Thursday 10 - 11:30 AM
NO SUPPLIES NEEDED!
Come give it a try. It's a very relaxing activity.

BRIDGE CLUB
Every Friday at 12:30 PM
Please give us a call and let us know if
you are interested, 508-865-9154.

RMV TRANSACTIONS

Every Wednesday 10 AM - 2PM
We focus on Duplicates/ Renewals for License, Registration, Mass I.D. and Placard Cards along with
Change of Address! Call us for an appointment!
(508) 865-9154

LOOKING FOR CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING ON CHARTER TV?

Local Diocesan Programming is now on Charter Channel 193; Boston's Catholic TV is on Channel 101, and EWTN is on Channel 18.

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at **Saint Brigid Church** on **2/8/2018**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from $149 ($139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a $10 discount off any package priced above $129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979**

ELDERLY AND HOMEBOUND

Transportation available - 4:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Brigid Church. This ministry is sponsored by both parishes utilizing a handi-capable van.
For information call Deacon Ron (508) 865-6624.

SHUTTLE INFORMATION

Saturday, January 6	**Ted Jakubiak**
Saturday, January 13	**Jan Hanratty**
Saturday, January 20	**Michelle Desorcy**
Saturday, January 27	**Chris Brady**

If you know of a parishioner - who is homebound or shut-in, please contact Deacon Ron at (508) 865-6624 to set up a time to receive Communion.

If you have a friend or relative who is a member of St. Brigid or Assumption and who is in a nursing home and would like to be visited and or receive communion, please call Deacon Ron here at the offices at (508) 865-6624. You bringing this to our attention is the only way we can be sure that our parishioners are visited.